(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the various State Governments have been consulted in the matter and if so, their reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Joint Operation with Myanmar Against Insurgents, Drug-Traffickers and Smugglers

818. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India & Myanmar agreed to consolidate joint cooperation and operation against insurgents, drug-traffickers and smugglers;

(b) if so, what progress has been made in this regard;

(c) whether Government have taken any step to stop these illegal activities in this region; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) India's concern on the presence of Indian Insurgent Groups in the Myanmar territory has been raised at various fora. The Government of Myanmar have been reiterating that they would not allow the use of their territory by insurgent groups for undertaking activities prejudicial to the interest of India. While both Governments have agreed to strengthen cooperation in checking the activities of insurgents, arms smugglers, drug traffickers and other hostile elements along the India-Myanmar border; at present there is no proposal under consideration to conduct joint operations with Government of Myanmar against Indian Insurgent Groups present in Myanmar territory.

(c) and (d) Government have taken various measures to counter the threat posed by insurgent groups of the North East region. Besides holding peace dialogue with various insurgent groups, enhancing the capabilities of the State Police and development of socio-economic infrastructure, appropriate institutional mechanism have been built in at district level, at State Hqrs. and among the States in the NE region to share actionable intelligence inputs available with the State and Central intelligence agencies and to launch coordinated counter insurgency operations against insurgent

groups. For border guarding duties, Assam Rifles has been deployed on India-Myanmar border.

Compensation to the families of 1984 riots

819. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to increase the compensation to families of the victims of 1984 anti-Sikh riots;

(b) if so, the modalities worked out so far;

(c) whether Government had received the reports of the Committees of D.K. Sankaran and K.P. Singh in this regard;

(d) if so, the recommendations of these Committees; and

(e) the action taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (e) The two Committees headed by Dr. D.K. Sankaran, Secretary (Border Management) and Shri K.P. Singh, the then Special Secretary (Home) in the Ministry of Home Affairs, have submitted their reports. The recommendations of the Committees, *inter-alia*, relate to grant of uniform/enhanced compensation in case of death, injury and loss suffered on account of damage to residential and commercial/industrial properties; preference in recruitment, etc. The recommendations are under examination.

Home Secretary level meeting between India and Myanmar

820. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Home Secretary Level meeting between India and Myanmar was held at Yangon recently;

(b) if so, the composition of Indian delegation;

(c) the issues discussed in the meeting;

(d) the outcome thereof;

(e) whether Government had signed any MoU during the meeting; and

(f) if so, the details of such MoUs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS